

# Town of Lunenburg

**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**  
**P.O. Box 135**  
**Lunenburg, MA 01462-0135**



**James Lattanzi, Chairman**  
**Garrett Stillman, Vice-Chairman**  
**Jeffrey Mendoza, Clerk**  
**Douglas MacMillan, Member**  
**Renee Trakimas, Member**

## **AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION** **February 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Posted: Yes  
Place: The Ritter Building  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Present: J. Lattanzi, G. Stillman, J. Mendoza, R. Trakimas.

Minutes Approval: Motion to approve by G. Stillman. Second by J. Lattanzi. January 16, 2014 Minutes approved.

Discussion followed concerning getting the Right to Farm By-Law on the warrant for the next Town Meeting. Consideration was given to pursuit of amending the town's minimum acreage requirement to match the current state minimum as part of the Right to Farm By-Law.

The impending vacancy on the commission was discussed. Further information from the Board of Selectmen is to be obtained.

Jurisdictional oversight of The Farmer's Market was considered, with a decision to address with Town Manager. Promotional ideas were discussed, including the potential for an AGCOM budget for signs and other promotional materials.

The new school greenhouse and Greenthumb program were discussed with guest John Londa. The goal of expanding Greenthumb to include food production was considered. Ideas for a larger growing space at a lower cost were offered by members. Ideas reflecting a desire to produce food for fundraising were offered. The commission was informed that "education" is the priority, not "production." Mr. Londa offered to pass information on to Superintendent Calmes, who declined to attend.

Other topics included the possibility of a regional Agricultural Commission, scheduling a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen, creation of a joint Land Board, a continuation of the discussion concerning possible revenue from forestry management opportunities in Lunenburg and extension of land lease agreements.

Members voted in favor of joining the Mass. Assoc. of Agricultural Commissions.

Chairman James Lattanzi verbally notified members of his resignation.

The next meeting was scheduled for March 20, 2014 at 7:00 pm at The Ritter Building and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jeffrey L. Mendoza